

**PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA****Consumer Protection Services Program**

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September 9, 2003

Mariana B. Ponce, P.T.A.
10125 Kauffman Ave
South Gate CA 90280

License No. AT 2458

CITATION

Information obtained by the Physical Therapy Board of California has revealed actions taken by you which violate sections of the law regulating the practice of physical therapy. A Citation is hereby issued to you in accordance with Section 125.9 of the Business and Professions Code for the violations described below.

FIRST CAUSE FOR CITATION

The information obtained confirmed that you practiced physical therapy without a valid California license during the period on or about August 31, 2002 through January 28, 2003 at A&G Health Services and was compensated for said services. On January 22, 2003, you telephoned this office inquiring the status of your license and admitted that you were practicing physical therapy with an expired license. On January 28, 2003, a renewal payment of your physical therapist assistant license was received by the Board. In response to our request on May 29, 2003, a payment history from your employer was received on June 12, 2003, confirming that you had been performing physical therapy without a valid license.

Based on these facts, you were in violation of:

1. Section 2630 of the B&P

It is unlawful for any person or persons to practice or offer to practice, physical therapy in this state for compensation received or expected, or to hold himself or herself out as a physical therapist, unless at the time of so doing the person holds a valid, unexpired, and unrevoked license issued under this chapter.

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ORDER

Further, **you are ordered to pay a fine of \$800.00** to the Physical Therapy Board of California within 30 days after receipt of this Citation.

If you wish to contest all or any part of this Citation, complete the enclosed "Notice of Appeal -Request for Informal Conference" form and return it to this office within 10 days after receipt of this Citation. The date indicated on the order of abatement will be held in abeyance only for any violation(s) you wish to contest. The time to correct all uncontested violations will be adhered to as specified. In the alternative, you may, within 30 days after receipt of this Citation, request a formal administrative hearing before an administrative law judge under the Administrative Procedure Act.

FAILURE TO RETURN THE REQUEST FOR INFORMAL CONFERENCE FORM OR TO REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING WITHIN THE TIMES INDICATED WILL WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTEST OR APPEAL THIS CITATION.

Administrative Fine

\$800.00

FOR YOUR PROTECTION AND TO ASSURE PROPER CREDIT,
PLEASE RETURN THE COPY OF THE CITATION
AND NOTE THE CITATION NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK
OR MONEY ORDER.

September 9, 2003
Date

Original Signed By:

STEVEN K. HARTZELL
Executive Officer



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ORDER OF ABATEMENT
September 9, 2003

Citation Against: Mariana Ponce, P.T.A. Citation No. 03-04-0045

Item No. 1

Violations: Business and Professions Code Section 2630 .

Description:

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Order of Correction

You are hereby ordered to abate this violation immediately and to cease and desist from further violation.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this Citation and Order of Abatement within 30 days of receipt may result in further legal action.